[Mr. A. Thanu Pillai.]

(*a*) whether they have decided to acquire land near Mannanthala Mukkolakkal (മണ്ണന്തലമുക്കോലക്കൽ) for the Trivandrum Municipaility for the purpose of dumping night-soil;

(*b*) whether the site selected has been inspected by the Sanitary Commissioner or the Inspecting Medical Officer or both;

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, whether they reported in favour of or against that site being used for the purpose;

(*d*) whether the Government are aware of the number of houses that would be rendered unfit for human occupation in consequence of the vicinity of night-soil;

(*e*) how the night-soil is proposed to be disposed of at that site; and

(*f*) the arrangements, if any, proposed to be made to prevent the night-soil rendering the neighbourhood insanitary?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) They reported that the soil of the site selected is suited for dumping night soil.

(*d*) It is reported that there are only about a dozen houses within a radius of two furlongs around the site and that almost all the houses are situated on the eastern side.

(*e*) By trenching.

(*f*) The trenching will be done on the side of the land further from the neighbouring houses by the road junction. It is also reported that arrangements will be made to make sufficiently deep pits for trenching night-soil and that these will be covered up with earth immediately after the operation.

Re-employment of disbanded computor-draftsmen of the L. R. M. Department.

89. MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the disbanded computor-draftsmen of the Land Records Maintenance Department (abolished in 1101) were provided for in the Survey Department;

(*b*) whether there is any Government order relating to that; and

(*c*) if so, the number and date of that order?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A gradation list of subordinates disbanded in 1101 from the Survey and Land Records Department and who had no general examination qualification, was prepared by the Land Revenue and Income-Tax Commissioner with the details furnished by the Superintendent of Survery. Out of these, 8 men were given permanent appointments and 15 others were given temporary and acting appointments as vacancies arose.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) R. O. C. No. 530/25/Rev., dated the 26th December 1925, and R., O. C. No. 3657/27/Rev., dated the 12th October 1927.

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MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know whether the Superintendent of Survey has not contravened this order of Government?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): In some vacancies he appointed fresh men; but they had superior qualifications. The disappointed men who were not entertained did not appear before the Survey Superintendent or before the Land Revenue Commissioner to put in their claims. Those who appeared before him were appointed.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) I did not want all this answer. My specific and simple question was whether the Survey Superintendent contravened this order of Government.

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, to some extent.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Have the Government asked the Survey Superintendent to give an explanation for that?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): It did not come to the notice of Government that the Survey Superintendent had not acted according to the Government order.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Sir, just a moment ago, the member stated that the Survey Superintendent had contravened the Government order. Now he says that that has not come to the notice of Government.

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): There is no such contradiction, Sir. After the interpellation was asked, Government got this information.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Will the Government call for an explanation from the Survey Superintendent?

MR. A. KUMARA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Enquiry into the working of the Quilon Customs Office.

90. MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any officer has been deputed to enquire into the working of the Quilon Customs Office;

(*b*) if so, the name of the officer;

(*c*) whether any report has been submitted by him; and

(*d*) if so, whether they will lay it on the table?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) & (*b*) Government have sanctioned the deputation of Excise Inspector, Mr. C. Gopala Pillai, for the purpose.

(*c*) The Excise Commissioner now reports that, as the Inspector fell ill and went on leave, the work has not yet been commenced.

(*d*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*c*) above.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know when this Mr. Gopala Pillai, Excise Inspector, was deputed to enquire into this matter?

MR. C. N. SRIRENGANATHA SASTRI (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): 17th November 1932.

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